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STATE FOR EVM SUSAN LOCKWOOD/AZZA MOUNIB-ZAKI;INFO  
ECA/PE/V/R/N/-LARRY A. MOODY; SA/PD

E.O. 12958: N/A

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SUBJECT: FY-05 IV PROGRAM: SRI LANKAN NOMINEE FOR MRP  
"GRASSROOTS DEMOCRACY II", MAY 5-26, 2005.  
PROJECT NO. E/VM-2005-0023

REF: COLOMBO 00765

1.Post nominates Mahindananda "Aluthgamage", Deputy  
Minister of Power and Energy for participation in subject  
project. Post confirms that this nomination has "full  
country team approval".

2.Nomination is as follows:

START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):

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: automated processing in Washington and should not be  
: edited except by means of the Post-EVDB software.

EXPORT-SOURCE: POST-EVDB

VERSION: 3.0.7

POST-EMAIL: tilakawardenac@state.gov

TRANSMITTING-POST: PAS Colombo

TRANSMITTING-POST-ID: 2929

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START NOMINATION:

ECA-OFFICE: E/VGN

PROG-AGENCY-NAME:

POST-PROJ-ID: 112

ECA-PROJ-NO: E/VM-2005-0023

PROJ-NAME: Grassroots Democracy II - May 5-26, 2005

START MEMO PROJ-DESC:

END MEMO PROJ-DESC:

PROJ-TYPE: Multi-Regional

PROG-TYPE: IV Grant Visitor

FY: 2004

DEPART-POST: 05/03/2005

SESSION-DATE: 05/05/2005

RETURN-POST: 05/28/2005

NO-OF-PART: 1

RANK-ORDER: 2

START MEMO POST-OBJ:

This nomination is in support of MPP goal on "Democratic  
Systems and Practices"

END MEMO POST-OBJ:

START MEMO POST-RCMD:

END MEMO POST-RCMD:

ECA-OFFICE-ID: 1039

PROG-AGENCY-ID:

PROJ-TYPE-ID: MRP

PROG-TYPE-ID: 29

NOMINATING-POST-ID: 2929

FUNDING-CNTRY-ID:

STATUS: N

ORIGINATOR: U

SUBJ-DISC: Freedom & Democracy

START BIO:

PREFIX: Mr.

F-NAME: Mahindananda

M-NAME:

L-NAME: ALUTHGAMAGE

SUFFIX:

POSITION-CODE: 112

PRINCIPAL?: Yes

M-ADDR1: 309B, George E. de Silva Mawatha

M-ADDR2:

M-ADDR3:

M-CITY: Kandy

M-STATE:

M-CNTRY: Sri Lanka

M-ZONE:

M-ZIP:

M-PHONE: (94-81) 235-2806

M-FAX: (94-81) 223-7126

M-EMAIL:

M-CNTRY-ID: CE

M-ADDRTYPE: H

GENDER: M

DOB: 11/21/1964

MAR-STAT: M

BIRTH-CITY: Kandy

BIRTH-CNTRY: Sri Lanka

CITIZ-CNTRY: Sri Lanka

RES-CNTRY: Sri Lanka  
START MEMO POSITION:  
Deputy Minister of Power and Energy, April 1994- to date  
END MEMO POSITION:  
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
Member of Parliament, 2000- to date  
END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
2000-2001 - Deputy Minister of Highways  
1993-99 - Member, Central Provincial Council  
1990 - Chairman, Sri Lanka Freedom Party Estate Union  
1985-92 - Sales Executive, The Finance Co. Ltd.  
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
None  
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
  
END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO EDUCATION:  
General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level)  
Examination, Royal College, Colombo, 1982  
END MEMO EDUCATION:  
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
  
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START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
  
END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:  
  
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FIRST-LANG: Sinhala  
ENGL-READ: 4  
ENGL-SPEAK: 4  
ENGL-COMP: 4  
START OTHER-LANGS:  
OTHER-LANG: Tamil  
OTHER-LANG-ID: TC  
READ: 2  
SPEAK: 2  
COMP: 2  
END OTHER-LANGS:  
START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:  
This nomination is in support of MPP goal on "Democratic  
Systems and Practices"  
END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:  
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:  
  
END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:  
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:  
  
END MEMO VIS-OBJ:  
START MEMO VIS-REC:  
  
END MEMO VIS-REC:  
NOMINATING-OFFICER: Joseph Novak  
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
Mr. Aluthgamage, who assumed duties as deputy minister of  
Power and Energy, has proven experience in health and  
rural development issues. Most of his career has focused  
on grassroots political development in central Sri Lanka;  
he has been an organizer of the governing party in the  
central province. Knowledge gained through the  
Grassroots Democracy program would enable him to develop  
his stated plans to further political awareness and  
organization at the village level.  
This nomination has "full Country Team approval."  
  
END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
NOM-OFF: Political  
SPEAKER?: No  
NOTIFY-EMB: Yes  
MEDIA?: No  
HOME-STAY: Yes  
HOME-HOSP?: Yes  
E-I-TYPE:  
NOMINEE-ID: 151  
PERSON-ID: 159  
BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: CE  
CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: CE  
RES-CNTRY-ID: CE  
FIRST-LANG-ID: SI  
E-I-TYPE-ID:  
NOM-POST-ID: 2929  
NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID:  
NOM-STATUS: N  
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US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0  
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INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0  
INTL-ORG2:  
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0  
VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0  
COMMISSION: 0  
OTHER-AMOUNT: 0  
VIS-AMOUNT: 0  
VIS-CAT: 5  
END BIO:  
END NOMINATION:  
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3. Please advise acceptance of this nomination.  
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